

National Scheduled Castes & Scheduled Tribes Finance & Development Corporation (NSTFDC) may be bifurcated into (i) National Scheduled Castes Finance & Development Corporation which will come under administrative control of Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment and (ii) National Scheduled Tribes Finance & Development Corporation which will come under the administrative control of Ministry of Tribal Affairs. The bifurcation of assets and liabilities of existing National Scheduled Castes & Scheduled Tribes Finance & Development Corporation (NSTFDC) between National Scheduled Tribes Finance & Development Corporation (NSTFDC) and National Scheduled Castes Finance & Development Corporation (NSCFDC) has been initiated. Bifurcation of Manpower and Zonal Offices has been done. The Registration of National Scheduled Tribes Finance and Development Corporation is under process.

SC's concern over Government's apathy towards disabled

469. SHRI C.O. POULOSE: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Hon'ble Supreme Court has expressed serious concern over Government's apathy towards implementing job reservations for disabled; and

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI): (a) and (b) In the order passed on 5.1.2001 in W.P.No.31/2000 (Amita I's. Union of India & Ors.), regarding revision of the list of identified posts for persons with disabilities, the Hon'ble Supreme Court has *inter-alia* expressed concern and directed that within two months, the sub-committees would submit their report and within three months, the Expert Committee would furnish the revised list to the Government. As per the direction of the Hon'ble Supreme Court, the Expert Committee has been requested to take urgent action to finalise and submit the report to the Government.

Legislation to protect elder persons against domestic violence

470. SHRI K.M. KHAN: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under active consideration of Government to enact a legislation to protect elder persons against domestic violence and also to grant reliefs of such nature connected with the old age; and

(b) if so, what steps are being taken in pursuance thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does Not arise.

NGOs receiving financial assistance in Maharashtra

471. SHRI VEDPRAKASH P. GOYAL: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the names of Non-Governmental Organisations in Maharashtra which are receiving financial assistance from Government;

(b) whether any review of the working of such organizations has been carried out;

(c) if so, the details thereof and whether any of them has been blacklisted; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI): (a) The names of Non-Governmental Organisations in Maharashtra which are receiving financial assistance from Government is at Annexure. [See Appendix 192, Annexure No. 2]

(b) to (d) The working of the NGOs assisted by this Ministry is monitored and evaluated from time to time. These organizations are inspected by representatives of the State Governments and the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment and where it is found that the delivery of services is not commensurate with the funds released by the Ministry, the NGO is warned, further release of grant-in-aid is suspended and the NGO is blacklisted after following the prescribed procedure and process initiated for recovering the misutilized grant.

The following organizations of Maharashtra have been blacklisted and action taken by the Government is given below:—